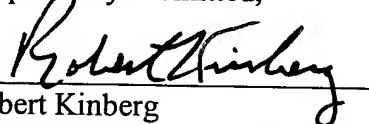


REMARKS

The amendments made herein are to remove multiple dependency from the claims and remove reference numerals. An examination on the merits of the application is requested.

Dated: July 24, 2006

Respectfully submitted,

By 
Robert Kinberg

Registration No.: 26,924
VENABLE LLP
P.O. Box 34385
Washington, DC 20043-9998
(202) 344-4000
(202) 344-8300 (Fax)
RK/kac